

Date: November 27, 1989
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To: Director, ERD
Subject: Grant Road Drums
Houston, Texas
POLREP No: POLREP 01

Site No: G2
D.O. No: 7334-06-051
Response Authority: CERCLA
NPL Status: Non-NPL
Start Date: November 27, 1989

Situation:

EPA, TAT and ERCS have mobilized to the site in an effort to conduct the first phase of this disposal project. Along with EPA's activities, the OSC continues to oversee the PRP removal actions on the adjacent site property. Original investigations identified 60 abandoned drums on-site containing known hazardous and toxic constituents. Current weather conditions should permit all of Phase I activities to be completed this week.

Actions Taken:

In compliance with the Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) issued by Region Six - Superfund Enforcement, one of the two PRPs identified has agreed to comply with the AOC. The compliant PRP has already stabilized (overpacked) and identified (sampled) the drums (18) that rested on their property. To complete Phase I activities, the PRP is currently making arrangements for disposal off-site.

Since the second PRP has chosen not to comply with the AOC, ERB has initiated Phase I of cleanup operations on this PRP's property.

Next Steps:

ERCS will clear the densely wooded area, overpack each drum, and stage them for identification. Upon identification, arrangements for off-site disposal will be conducted by ERCS. TAT will monitor all site activities and periodically provide on-site air-monitoring. TAT will also gather samples of any areas where excavation is deemed necessary by the OSC.

Both the PRP and ERB removal actions will require a second phase to complete cleanup at this site. Phase II is simply the actual off-site disposal of the site contaminants.

Key Issues:

The OSC expects that arranging for disposal will likely place the second phase of operation in early 1990.

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Project Costs as of COB 11/27/89:

The OSC obligated \$100,000 for ERCS activity and \$14,000 for TAT.
Costs documents are currently in production.

Case Pending
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